

**Method of Manufacturing a Ski**

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**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

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**Cross-Reference to Related U.S. Patent Application**

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04/23/2004 15 I hereby claim benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of United States patent application Serial Number 09/130,892 filed August 7, 1998. This application is a continuation-in-part of ~~the~~ 09/130,892 application. The 09/130,892 application is currently pending. The 09/130,892 application is hereby incorporated by reference into this patent application.

20 20 **Field of the Invention**

The present invention relates generally to methods for manufacturing skis for use upon snowmobiles and like vehicles that operate upon snow, and more specifically it relates to a method of manufacturing a ski for creating a preload force upon a front portion of a ski in combination with a resilient preload member.